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Sanctions the Grant of Dearness and War Allowances to the employees of Government drawing Rs. 800 and below per mensem.

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The undermentioned Government orders sanctioning the grant of Dearness Allowance to certain whole-time employees of Government, drawing a salary of Rs. 150 and less in the several Departments of Government :—

(1) Government Order No. Fl. 4-63—S. & A. 16-43-3, dated 5th October 1943.

(2) Government Order No. Fl. 64-67—S. & A. 16-43-4, dated 5th October 1943; and

(3) Government Order No. Fl. 2556-2615—S. & A. 16-43-7, dated 20th December 1943.

ORDER NO. FL. 4152-4215—S. & A. 160-44-1, DATED BANGALORE, THE 27TH MARCH 1945.

With a view to afford relief to employees of Government who are put to hardship on account of increased prices of articles of food and other necessaries of life, Government have sanctioned, from time to time, Dearness Allowance to employees in receipt of a salary of Rs. 150 and less.

2. There has recently been a rise in the prices of foodgrains, fuel and other necessary articles. Government feel that the Dearness Allowances now in force have to be enhanced and that some measure of relief is also required by Government servants drawing salaries exceeding Rs. 150.

3. Government are therefore pleased to direct that the rates of Dearness Allowance at present allowed to employees in the several Departments of Government (including the Railway Department) in the Government Orders read above, be enhanced as under with effect from 1st January 1945 :—

Class of Employees.	*Bangalore City.* Rs.	*Other Places.* Rs.
1. Those drawing a pay of Rs. 25 and below per mensem.	10	8
2. Those drawing a pay exceeding Rs. 25 but not exceeding Rs. 80 per mensem.	12	10
3. Those drawing a pay exceeding Rs. 80 but not exceeding Rs. 100 per mensem.	15	12
4. Those drawing a pay exceeding Rs. 100 but not exceeding Rs. 150 per mensem.	20	15

N.B.—Any employee who may be getting under existing orders a higher rate of Dearness Allowance than what is admissible according to the above scale, will retain his existing allowance.

4. Government are also pleased to direct that "War Allowance," at the rates mentioned below, be sanctioned to officers and officials in the several Departments of Government (including Railways) drawing a pay exceeding Rs. 150 per mensem, with effect from 1st January 1945 :—

Class of Employees.	*Bangalore City.* Rs.	*Other Places.* Rs.
1. Those drawing a pay exceeding Rs. 150 but not exceeding Rs. 250 per mensem.	25	20
2. Those drawing a pay exceeding Rs. 250 but not exceeding Rs. 500 per mensem.	40	30
3. Those drawing a pay exceeding Rs. 500 but not exceeding Rs. 800 per mensem.	50	40

N.B.—Officers drawing pay in excess of Rs. 800, but not in excess of Rs. 850 per mensem in Bangalore City and of Rs. 840 per mensem in other places, will get the War Allowance to the extent necessary to bring their total emoluments to Rs. 850 and Rs. 840 per mensem, respectively.

5. The question whether any allowances have already been granted to officers on account of increased cost of living, and to what extent such allowances will be affected by the Dearness and War Allowances now sanctioned, is under examination separately and orders will be passed in due course.

6. These Dearness and War Allowances will be in force until further orders. The total cost on this account is estimated to amount to about Rs. 84 lakhs per annum, the extra cost during the current official year being about Rs. 16 lakhs. A demand for the additional grant to the extent necessary will be placed under the heads affected before the next Session of the Legislative Council.

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